

WATER USER'S COMMITTEE MEETING  
JANUARY 15, 1997

Chairman Keith James called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Russel Mayer's. Those present were, Gary Sullivan, Russel Mayer, Shaun Pearson, James Mayer, Kerry Charpenter, John Morgan, Lee Sim, Gertrudys Adkins, Commissioner Lavar Davis.

Minutes were read from the meeting held in July. There were no corrections.

Annual meeting will be changed from February 6th, to the 5th, at 10:00 a.m. at the Senior Citizens.

Keith asked Lee about the letter sent on water delinquents and if there has been interest charged on the delinquents. Lee said there is interest on the late delinquents.

Annual report was then passed out to those that was present. Jim asked who decided on the 20 acres, and Lee said he and his staff did and it will likely change.

Lee then explained the ariel maps. Jim asked if roads were eliminated and they were.

Russel asked how they decided on water right of applications. They explained that you only farm the acreage that you have water rights for, but you can farm different parts of your farm different years if you have the acreage to do it on.

Keith asked if they knew how many acres total were being over farmed in the whole valley, they said they haven't figured it out yet. Kerry did ask if they could find out and let the water users know in the report that was going to be sent to them.

Lee was asked why didn't you get every water users acres ariel photo and why didn't everyone get a letter saying how many acres they were over or under. Lee explained that they are sorry that they did not cover everything, that his staff can only do so much. Keith commented that since he has been here this has been the most accurate report he has seen.

There is six water users that farm with Rocky Ford water that will be getting a letter saying that they will have to put meters on their wells.

Lee explained that a survey was started for Beaver Valley. A.S.C.S. flew and took pictures of the land and that they will fly it this Spring. They won't be able

to get the accurate water rights this year, hopefully next year they can have the information. Kerry explained about the advertising of water applications.

The budget was looked over for 1997 and Keith suggested to present to the water users to keep the same budget and only assess \$4,000.

Lee mentioned there will be a commissioners seminar in February.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.